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A Review of Happenings of Interest in the Borough of Narberth During 1922

Activities of Various Municipal and Civic Organizations, Sports and Politics

With the close of 1922, a year of interest to Narberth as well as to the world in general, it is interesting to sit in the old easy chair and call to mind the many events which made up the past year.

It is with the idea of giving our readers an opportunity to see a year of activity in retrospect that "Our Town" has prepared this review of the happenings of interest in Narberth during the year 1922.

A Fiery Start

During the week that ushered in the new year, the Narberth Fire Company answered six calls. Most of them were of a minor nature, as a dry spell made the grass fields inflammable.

Carl B. Metzger was inaugurated Burgess on the second of January, and issued an interesting message of important things to be taken up during his term. Council organized at the same time, and re-elected W. R. D. Hall president. On Jan. 3rd Harold C. Fenno was elected President of the Narberth Choral Society, succeeding Harry H. Hayward.

The next week the Choral Society completed its organization for the new year by again selecting Prof. Clarence C. Nice as its leader. The January meeting of Council found business in full swing, with the passage of the budget and tax bill the most important business.

Death of Noted Citizen

On January 13th Narberth was shocked by the sudden death of Charles E. Kreamer, a resident of Narberth for 33 years, and a prominent figure in many local activities. On the following Monday the borough was the scene of a double tragedy, when an enraged husband shot down his wife on Dudley Avenue, killing himself afterwards.

Among the really important events of the first month of 1922 was the establishment, on January 28th, of the "Tower of Babble." This feature, barring two times when it was censored, has been a regular department of the paper ever since. Though occasionally rapped by someone whose toes have been trodden on, Collum Righter had afforded constant pleasure to hundreds of readers.

A recital under the auspices of the Junior Community Club, given by Miss Hilda Reiter, took place on February 2nd. On the 6th we held the confirmatory election on the purchase of the Playground plot. The first election was invalidated by a case of inexcusable carelessness in the offices of the County officials and a new election made necessary. The approval of the project was overwhelming, the vote being 429 to 89.

Major J. S. Stewart Richardson, City Editor of the "Public Ledger," addressed a large meeting of the Women's Community Club and their husbands on February 16th. During February also, announcement was made of the purchase of the Hopper estate by the Montgomery Day School.

The new six-column "Our Town" was issued on March 18th, giving nearly fifty per cent. more room for local news. The old size was resumed during the summer months, instead of skipping issues as in the past, and again in October, with the new volume, the large size was used. It is hoped that the paper will be strong enough next summer so that the present size may be continued.

Police Protection

In the March meeting of Borough Council it was decided to place the police protection of the Borough under the Lower Merion Township system. This new plan gave Narberth the benefit of three policemen, on eight hour shifts, with four call boxes, and with the large facilities of the Township system on call. At the annual meeting of the Tennis Association, Mr. W. D. B. Evans was elected president.

A very successful spring concert, with Michel Penha as soloist, was held by the Choral Society on March 24th. The April meeting of Council voted unfavorably on the milk protection plan brought forth by the Board of Health.

The Community Club, in its meeting of April 18th, elected Mrs. A. B. Ross president for the ensuing year. On April 25th and 26th, St. Margaret's minstrels were seen in a very successful show, entitled "Nellie Narberth."

A special meeting of Council passed the milk protection plan of the Board of Health on April 26th. The plan called for the co-operation of Narberth with the townships of Lower Merion and Haverford in the employment of an inspector and the establishment of a number of sanitary safeguards.

Narberth's annual Clean-Up Week was held beginning May 8th. On the evening of the 4th, a large meeting of the Junior Community Club was addressed by Rev. Robert W. Norwood.

The summer activities in the Borough were started on May 20th when Narberth played her first Main Line League game. The team was managed by Wilmer G. Crowell, while Robert J. Nash was president of the Club. The League itself was lead by Robert J. Edgar, of Narberth, during the past season.

In the primary election held May 16, three Narberth citizens qualified. Robert E. Pattison, Jr., was nominated by a large majority for Democratic Candidate for Lieutenant-Governor. A. E. Wohlert won the democratic nomination for representative. Fletcher W. Stites was nominated for State Senator, subsequently being elected to that office.

On May 25th, Howard A. Banks was elected president of the Home and School Association, and on June 10th, the Narberth Choral Society, with Alice Gentle as soloist, took the feature part at the Bryn Mawr festival.

Eighteen students graduated from the Narberth High School on June 14th, being the largest class ever graduated from our local schools. At the annual meeting of the Narberth Civic Association, Robert J. Nash was elected president of that body.

On June 14th a mass meeting was held in the High School Auditorium, at which time those present voted unanimous approval of the plans presented by the School Board for a new elementary school building. On July 21st, Edward S. Haws was replaced as postmaster by Fred C. Patten. Efforts on the part of many citizens to retain Mr. Haws despite the change in political party were unavailing.

Application was made in August by property owners on Price, Stuart and Conway avenues to have these streets paved at their expense. The application was approved by council, although protested by a few of the owners, but was delayed pending passage of an enabling ordinance.

A thrilling occurrence took place on August 23rd, when one of the Narberth policeman, Bernard Johnson, assisted by other officers from Ardmore, captured a gang of freight thieves near Wynnewood avenue.

Harold Lane was crowned Tennis King of Narberth in the fall tournament, while the Fretz brothers won the doubles title. Jack M. Haas, assistant Postmaster at Narberth, died at his home on September 15th. On the 25th, a very successful banquet was given to the ball team at the General Wayne Inn.

School Fight

In the early part of October were heard the first rumblings of the now historic school battle. A committee of

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A UNIQUE CARD

Indeed fortunate were the friends of Mr. and Mrs. Will H. Lewis, of Woodside Avenue, who received their Christmas card this year. The card was a picture of their beautiful garden in the rear of their home.

White archways, marble seats and bird baths all help to make this garden one of the most attractive I have ever seen. The border of the garden contains flowers which bloom throughout the entire season, and is more than a source of enjoyment, not only to the owners, but to the neighbors.

A card of this kind is a thought every day of the year, because it brings the garden before my eyes. And—

I often look at the picture,
And it brings my friends quite near;
I can see the flowers blooming,
And butterflies hovering there.
When the sunset deepens,
And, stars come out in the blue
I see again the garden
And think, my friend, of you.

A Friend.

The FIRESIDE

The monthly meeting of the Women's Auxiliary of the Narberth Tennis Association will be held Friday, Jan. 12, at 3 P. M., at the home of Mrs. A. T. Grugan, 231 Hampden Ave. A change in dates for meetings is to be considered as well as other matters of importance. A large attendance is earnestly requested.

The Needlework Guild will meet at the home of Mrs. F. H. Hewitt, 116 Essex Avenue, Wednesday, January 17, at 2 P. M. We shall be glad to welcome as many of the contributing members as can come.

The League of Women Voters will meet next Monday afternoon, January 8th, at 3.00, at the home of Mrs. E. A. Muschamp, 24 Woodside Avenue.

Mr. Laurence R. Houston has returned to Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry James Page, of Frankford, spent the Christmas Holidays with their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. John Bickford Brooks, of Narberth Avenue.

Miss Edna K. Smith, a graduate of Oberlin Kindergarten training school, has arrived in Narberth to make her home with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eduard L. Smith, of Merion Ave.

Mr. Alfred Hyde, of Philadelphia, spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. F. Y. Austin, of 105 Elmwood Ave.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Taylor Darlington have returned home from Olean, N. Y., where they spent the holidays with their son, J. Leon Darlington and family.

Mr. Carroll Downes, Jr., who has been home for the holidays, has returned to Michigan for the resumption of his duties.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Bradley, of Fort Wayne, Indiana, have been visiting their son Mr. Harry S. Bradley, of 106 Elmwood Ave. Mrs. R. S. Shaw, of Butler, Kentucky, great grandmother of Mr. Bradley, was also a guest over the holidays.

Mrs. Frederick Schweitzer, of Cranbury, New Jersey, has returned to her home, having spent the Christmas holidays with her sister, Mrs. John B. Brooks.

Miss Rose Sample, who is now convalescing from a recent illness, expects to leave for her home in Lancaster for a two weeks' visit.

Mrs. A. P. Redifer, of Shirley Road, entertained the Fortnightly at luncheon on Friday.

Mrs. Harry Jacobs, of Elmwood Ave., had as her guests during the holidays her sisters, Mrs. H. B. Elliott, of New Haven, Conn., and Mrs. Frank G. Bishop, of Johnstown, Pa., Miss Martha Bishop, Miss Elizabeth Mowers, and Mrs. Raymond Mowers, Jr., of Camden.

Miss Margaret Fowler gave a dinner party, followed by a theatre party on Tuesday evening, in honor of her guest, Miss Constance Hay.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Turney, of Sethbridge, Alberta, Canada, spent New Year's with Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Mitchell, of N. Narberth Ave.

Mrs. Irving Shortless, of Grayling Avenue, entertained Mr. and Mrs. Carrol and two children and Mr. Kelly, during the Xmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Arthur Cole, of Brattleboro, Vt., have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Wm. S. Horner, of N. Narberth Ave.

Miss Mary F. Chalfant has returned to Wilson College after a short holiday.

Mr. John B. Wilson has delayed his return to Colgate University because of the illness of his grandfather, Mr. John Berkelbach, of Wayne Avenue.

A very successful concert was given by the Main Line Orchestra at the Lower Merion High School Building, Ardmore. A number of Narberth people participated.

Malvern Walloped By Narberth

36-14 Was Score of Victory By Local Team

The Narberth basketball team won a rather easy victory last Monday night from the Malvern representatives, by the score of 36-14. The defensive play of the local team was almost perfect, as Malvern did not score a field goal until 30 minutes of play had been consumed.

Their total for the evening was 3 field goals and 8 fouls. The Narberth boys tossed a total of 12 field goals through the net, most of which were gotten after a couple of fast plays had carried the ball under the basket. The town boys started off at a fast clip, and at the end of the first half had a commanding lead of 22-4. Malvern spurted towards the end of the game, and during the last ten minutes of the game they outscored the Narberth team 10-9, but they had too large a lead to overcome, and the game ended a few minutes later. J. Dickie and "Ern" Jenkins were the shining lights, as usual. These two flashy forwards scored a total of 9 field goals between. Bill Durbin played his usual steady game at guard. "Jype" Ward played his last game for Narberth as he leaves for Peddie Institute in a couple of days.

The Malvern reserve squad met a tartar in the Narberth reserves, when they were snowed under a 52-11 score. Narberth, led by "Epp" Yowell, tossed, shot through and scored a total of 24 field goals. Yowell and Vernie Fleck were the stars with 11 and 5 field goals respectively.

Tonight St. Michael's, leaders of the Germantown Church League, will bring two strong clubs to Narberth, and a fast game is expected. Next Saturday, Jan. 13, Westville, N. J., will send their basketball teams to Narberth.

Malvern	Field Goal	Foul Goal	Total
Layne, F.,	0	2	2
Passmore, F.,	0	1	1
C. Pyle, C.,	1	1	3
L. Pyle, G.,	1	3	5
Mattack, G.,	1	1	3
Narberth			
J. Dickie F.,	5	2	12
E. Jenkins, F.,	4	4	12
Ward, C.,	1	2	4
Durbin, G.,	0	4	4
Powell, G.,	2	0	4
Malvern Reserves			
Townsend, F.,	0	1	1
Twisdale, F.,	0	2	2
Greg, C.,	0	1	1
Madden, G.,	0	2	2
Wagner, G.,	1	1	3
Narberth Reserves			
M. Dickie, F.,	2	1	3
Heckle, F.,	1	0	2
Erdman, F.,	1	0	2
Yowell, C.,	11	1	23
Cook, G.,	1	0	2
Fleck, G.,	5	0	10
Reilly, G.,	5	0	10

PURE FOOD SALE

If the day and the night are such that you greet them with joy, and life emits a fragrance like flowers and sweet-smelling herbs—is more elastic, more starry, more immortal—that is your success.

Come help us, dear home folk of Narberth, make a success of our pure food sale on Friday afternoon, January 19th, from 1 to 5 o'clock.

We will have on our sale Home made Jellies, Pepper Hash, Baked Beans, Potato Salad, Bread and Rolls.

Come to our pure food sale and buy for the dear folks at home a cake or a pie, which we know they will eat without heaving a sigh. Phone 1686.

Evangel Circle Kings' Daughters.

HOME AND SCHOOL

Next Meeting of Association January 18

The next meeting of the Home and School Association will be held in the School Auditorium on Thursday evening, January 18, at 8 o'clock, and the parents and all interested in the schools are cordially invited to attend. The Narberth School Board will be invited to attend, and to tell what progress has been made in the matter of consolidating the Narberth and Lower Merion High Schools.

The Program Committee is taking steps to have an address by a leading State Educator. Please mark the date on your calendar, and save the evening for this meeting.

Howard A. Banks,
President.

Library to be Open On Two Days

Tuesday Afternoon New Time for Activities

Increased patronage both by adults and children has for some months pointed clearly to the necessity of opening the Community Library on an additional afternoon each week. This same growth has also impressed the trustees of the Y. M. C. A. building with the Community service which the Library is giving, and they therefore have consented to extend further their co-operation by giving the Library the privilege of using the Y. M. C. A. lobby every Tuesday afternoon in addition to the regular Friday afternoon and evening.

This new schedule of library hours will go into effect next Tuesday the 9th, and experienced members of the Library staff will be in attendance each Tuesday afternoon in the future. Patrons of the library both young and old will find available on Tuesday afternoons all the facilities to which they have been accustomed.

THE CHORAL SOCIETY

The Choral Society resumed rehearsals following the holiday season with an excellent attendance last Tuesday evening. On account of the lack of coal, the meeting was held in the Community rooms instead of the Gym, and the added comfort due to better heating facilities more than made up for the poor acoustics. The new meeting place seemed to act as a stimulant for it was without doubt the best rehearsal held this season, and work on the new music, particularly the Faust selections, progressed accordingly. Since in the opinion of the Director, four more rehearsals will complete the preparation of the program, it was decided by the Board of Directors to hold the first local concert on or about February second. It is hoped that permission may be obtained from the School Board for the use of the High School, as usual, but with the coal shortage in mind, it is barely possible that the concert may have to be given outside the Borough. Perhaps that other carload of coal may be delivered to the School Board so that not only the Concert but a couple of rehearsals will be permitted as well.

With just four more opportunities to practice, every member must realize the necessity of being on hand for the rehearsals. In particular, the Director wants a special effort made to get 100% attendance next Monday evening in the Y. M. C. A. Community Room as a very interesting outside engagement will probably be decided upon at that time.

First blood for the tenors in the attendance contest—score, tenors, 10; basses 8.

PRESBYTERIANS WIN

The Presbyterian bowlers defeated the Lutherans in the Inter-Church League match on Friday evening, Dec. 29th, winning two of the three games.

The first half of the League schedule ends with the game between the Methodists and Baptists on Friday night, Jan. 5th.

The score follows:

Lutherans			
Nideckers	122	95	125
Pulch	108	138	99
Zimmer	180	139	132
Gruggeman	160	154	173
Blank	109	102	114
Total	679	628	643
Presbyterians			
Baughman	137	102	135
Wood	126	131	146
McConnell	128	159	114
Larer	156	179	137
Roberts	109	153	154
Total	656	724	686

Team Standing

	W	L	P.C.
Presbyterians	6	3	.666
Methodists	4	2	.666
Lutherans	5	4	.555
Baptists	0	6	.000

SHRINERS TO FLORIDA.

A large delegation of Philadelphia and Narberth Shriners of Lulu Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., headed by Nobles Geo. M. Davis, of Woodside Ave., and Frederick Herman, 109 Elmwood Avenue, will leave Monday evening, January 15th, in two special pullman cars and diners for a trip to Florida.

Community Club to Hold New Year's Party Tuesday

January 9th, Date of Event In Club Room

A regular party will be held on Tuesday, the ninth, at the club room in the Y. M. C. A. building. The members of the Community Club will gather at 3 P. M. instead of at 2.30 P. M., and bringing their happiest smiles and most jovial manners, will start the New Year with an informal reception.

Mrs. Leroy C. Douglass, the chairman of Hospitality, will have charge of the afternoon and promises a good time.

A reception will start the afternoon. The new members will be tagged and those who have brought in new members this year will have tags also. If one person has brought in two or three members, she will have the same number of tags to her credit. There will be no chance to escape notoriety for those who have been active.

The Dramatic Reading Class which has been meeting every other week will share some of its talent with the rest of the Club and produce a Sketch for their entertainment.

There may be a pleasant surprise, too, if the surprise can be captured, so all in all the affair looks good.

And—who said ice cream? Nobody, and nobody mentioned coffee, but a little bird whispered something like that.

During the afternoon all will be given a chance to drop something in the Melting Pot. The Club needs a home of its own, where classes and meetings may be held, and so Mrs. Ross will provide a large brass pot, and all members are asked to bring any old jewelry or silver that they have no use for and drop it into the Club's Melting Pot, for the Club's future home.

Don't forget to start the new year right.

The French Class met this week at Mrs. H. A. Jacobs. This Class meets every week and the members are so enthusiastic that no recess was taken during Christmas Week.

The Current Events Class held its meeting this week at the home of Mrs. Eberhardt Mueller.

OBJECTIONS UNCOVERED

Committee of Legion Busy Explaining Fallacies

In the course of enlisting new members for the American Legion, many queer things come to light. One prospect turns it down because it is controlled by Capital and it breaks strikes! The only instance of that kind on record was where Legion men served as temporary train crews to bring food into the cities. Is that a blow at Democracy? Then the old Bonus question comes up. Some won't join because they think the American Legion has not been active enough in furthering the Bonus. Others stay out because they do not believe in the Bonus. Both parties do not serve the cause they advocate by staying out, but rather injure it.

It is not our purpose to preach, BUT imagine the voice of the American Legion if it were four million five hundred thousand strong! These men are the pick of the land, the rising generation and should they remain quiet on civic affairs or should they try intelligently to better conditions? Big things can not be done by the Legion unless all the eligible men take a hand in its affairs.

The Membership Drive stops February first, and then the dues go up. Any officer of the Post can enter your name on the list and will be glad to do it now!

THE NEXT TENNIS DANCE

Hello Bill! I hear you had a fine time at the last Tennis Dance.

Well, I should say we did. The music was great!

My wife and I want to come to the dances, but it's always my luck to be out of town on Friday.

Don't let that worry you, old top; the January dance is to be on Saturday, the 20th.

Good! We'll be there! Same music?

Same music, yes, sir! Come and bring your friends, and make it the biggest dance of the season.

Righto! So long, Bill.

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SATURDAY, JAN. 6, 1923

EMERGENCY PHONE CALLS
Fire, 350.
Police, 1250.
or Ardmore 20

Letters to the Editor

To the Editor of "Our Town":

I really pity some residents of the Borough. There are persons, however, who delight in "settling" public affairs through the columns of "Our Town," and I presume we will have them with us always.

In your issue of December 30th, you published a letter signed W. O. W., in which he or she wanted you "to make an issue" of a complaint about mail deliveries.

Just why the letter was not addressed to Postmaster Patten instead of to you I cannot quite understand; neither can I understand why the individual who wrote the letter was ashamed or possibly afraid to sign the name in full.

Postmaster Patten reads "Our Town." Immediately on seeing the letter he consulted his roster to see who was making the complaint so as to check up the particular carrier. He found no name at all bearing those initials.

The initials of my name, W. M. W., were the nearest to those signed to the letter, and it was perfectly natural for him, and all his staff, to suppose that possibly I wrote it. Then, too, I was stopped on the street on my way to the station and spoken to about it.

Will you please run a note, therefore, in your next issue, to the effect that I did not write that letter? Those who know me well are aware of the fact that if I have anything to say publicly, or otherwise, I will sign my name to it in full.

I feel, however, that there may be some of my many acquaintances who, like the Postmaster and his staff, will think I did it and form their own opinion, and my character and reputation will suffer accordingly.

If Postmaster Patten had that hearty co-operation which every resident of the Borough should give him, such annoyances of which W. O. W. complains could not exist.

WALTON M. WENTZ.

To the Editor of "Our Town":

Prior to Christmas you inserted in your paper an article with reference to apparent lack of buying in our local stores in Narberth, and wondered why residents passed up the local stocks and purchased from Philadelphia.

The answer in my humble opinion is unattractive display, unclean stores, stock, and in some cases employes. There are a few exceptions, however, but very few and you will find that the stores that are clean and stocks attractive do the largest volume of business. Uncovered candies, meats and food stuffs are not very appealing.

I trust that you will insert this reply in your paper and you have my permission to publish my name in full.

JAS. W. DARVILLE

To the Editor of "Our Town":

In justice to the carol singers who came to my house with a message of peace and good will to an aged and afflicted minister of their denomination on Christmas eve, I would like to correct an item which appeared in the last issue of "The Tower of Babble." Good fun is always based on facts and the real humorist is always a "good sport" to the extent that he will not misstate a truth. "Righter Collum" did not at any time "mingle with" the song party, but rather viewed the performance from his own front window. * * * The identity of this pseudo-humorist has for many months been so obvious to the entire neighborhood in which he resides as to make his supposed anonymity the biggest joke of he column.

A. W. BURNS.

Talks About Narberth

(Conducted by the Civic Association)

We hear a lot about civic pride and community interest, but after all, just what are they? Aren't they just a result of every man, woman and child in a community being so mighty proud of their homes that only necessity would cause them to move? And then doesn't it just naturally follow that the folks are going to be proud of the home town - its streets—its fire department - its schools—its churches - its stores? There's a lot of civic pride in Narberth and every one who lives here ought to be glad. Narberth hasn't room for many more houses- and it's not so big that there's room for any folks except those who are proud to be here and who tell others how fine Narberth is.

THE TOWER OF BABBLE

By Collum Righter

QUITCHERBELLIAKIN

Far better be Quiet than Yammer all day
Of the Trials and Troubles and Cares in your way,
That never clear out but just doggedly stay.
For this sort of Chatter spreads nothing but Gloom,
And in the old World there is never much Room
Set apart for the Blue Ones who Sputter and Fume.
Yep! Close up your clam shell when feeling like this;
And try and look Pleasant! It's never amiss
To smother your Frowns with a Snicker, I wiss.

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On New Year's Day we were as busy as the proverbial paper hanger with the itch. Callers began to arrive before noon and it was well on late into the night before we had warmly wrung the necks (pardon, we mean the hands) of those who last departed. The thing that tickled us most was the fact of those old time-honored New Year's Resolutions being much in evidence last Monday. We call to mind one particular instance. It actually beggared description, how tenderly a local wife gazed into the luminous orbs of her mainstay and lovingly vowed herself blue in the face that nothing would ever stand in the way of his dish of stewed prunes every blessed day for breakfast during Nineteen Twenty Three. Such devotion we never before looked upon. Such consideration we never imagined existed. The World would be better were we to have more examples of this homelike globularity—this domestic spherosity.

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We rock pensively to and fro in our arm chair and hum soft minor notes as we ponder the question of why we have not been asked to join the Main Line Orchestra. Probably the Management would take action if they but knew the extent of our ability in twanging Adagio Lamentoso from Tschaikowsky's Pathetique, Sixth Symphony, on the resonant Jewsharp. We have no doubt but that these Thirteen Familiar Names of Narbite members will ultimately have as much significance throughout the four corners of Christendom as have the names of the Tirteen Original States.

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The above thought-colonial, brings New England to the forefront of our mind. And New England (the birthplace of our first wife) automatically suggests things Literary. And the latter logically of course, flashes a close-up of Lisbeth Library Wood—for the edification of which estimable lady and as further proof that Narberth is gradually securing a place in the Sun of Letters, we have to state that last week we gat us a warm, personal letter of holiday greetings from the bedside of the Esteemed Editor of "The Atlantic Monthly." We do not know what he is sick of—the letter did not state. But we hope he is suffering from an unprecedented mental shock brought on by reading one of our manuscripts that proved available for publication.

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There is no better time or place to express our deep appreciation to M'sieu B'nash for advertising his approval of the Column's suggestion with respect to a Sea Food Emporium as a possible occupant of one of the new Stores on Rue de Maine. The medical, dental and pharmacal professions of our Community would all possibly profit should such a thing come to pass. Conceive how readily ptomaines doth result from senile feesh. Reflect how prone the younger generation is to swallow fish bones and get 'em jammed into their tonsils. Fancy the divers injuries sustained to the teeth of the unwary who attempt biting their way through an oyster's overcoat, for instance. And we could go on and on.

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It was indeed too bad that **The Public Mentor** saw vermillion after feasting upon our little flapper yarn which got by Hon. Editor on that fateful November twenty-fifth. Several private reporting agencies told us of cases where super-puritan Narbite maidens were incensed to the fullest at our delineation of what was to us nothing more than a momentarily sparkling event in an otherwise vapid day. And in spite of the terrific moral tempest which has arisen we shall continue to travel along with our eyes wide open, taking in everything from the ground up. Had it not been for the offer of heartfelt sympathy—had it not been for the boldly expressed jealousy in the close of the letter, we would no doubt have accused **Mentor** of premeditated misogyny. However, knowing what we now know, it will not surprise us a jot to ingh taoi etaion taoinfime etaoinshrdlu come upon the dear thing some fine day sitting on that immortalized Overbrook stone wall, equipped with a double-barreled pair of C. Arley Farmer's field glasses.

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It has baffled us all through the early part of this week, why there should be so much activity on the part of furniture and storage vans in and out the sundry avenues of our town. The matter has been finally settled. Residents have become so thoroughly stirred up by the relation of the awful Civic conditions brought about by contemptible chicken-coops, wandering waste-paper and disgraceful dumps—so terribly enraged at the rutentious ridicule hurled upon them by commuting Ardmoreans, that they are moving away. Oh-h-h-h! the Power of the Press!

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With every formal genuflexion toward Sig. T. Noelbutler and likewise craving pardon for dragging his name into the Columnar limelight, we purpose assuring him of our complete concurrence with his thought-line in that matter of retaining the Shingles in Narberth. We grasp the bit between our teeth and declare that the gelid blooded but otherwise extremely Rt. Hon. Borough Councilmen have stepped too far. Their proposed Ordinance will tamper with the Home Training of present day Youth, in the end. Did not Solomon Rex lay down for time and eternity the foundation and basic principle of all parental rule when he said, "Spare the Shingle and Spoil the Child?" Telmachenucha, he did! We for one, look upon Sig. Noelbutler in the light of a Lincoln risen up to right a colossal wrong. We, for one, will not remain inert and witness the awesome spectacle of our children, those Blossoming Borough Bulwarks, lapsing and developing into unruly hoodlums, due to the iniquitous legislation which hath as its avowed purpose the abolition of the Shingle. The futile hair-brush, the mere razor-strop, have both been from time immemorial, offered as worthwhile substitutes. But woe is us! They are not such, nor ever shall they be. Vive la Shingle! Long may it wave o'er the Seat of Youth.

A PLEASANT HABIT

COMING to our bank every week to make a Christmas Club deposit soon gets to be a pleasant habit. The satisfaction of getting a little farther ahead all the time is something that must be known to be appreciated.

Then, too, from our side of the window, we make many good friends from new Club Members. We like to know them all.

We take great interest in our Christmas Club because it has a strong appeal to everybody.

We all like to have money for the Holidays, and if we are wise we save some over with which to start the New Year.

The Club plan is very easy. Just make the first weekly payment. This enrolls you without any further obligation. Keep up the payments promptly, and next December we will hand you back some real money, which we are sure you will find useful.

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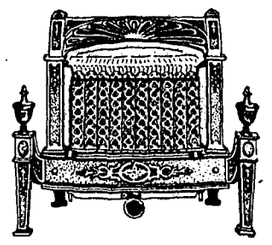

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News of the Churches

ST. MARGARET'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

Sunday masses at 7 o'clock and 10 o'clock. On first and third Sundays the late Mass is a High Mass, followed by benediction.

Daily Mass at 8 A. M.

THE OLD MERION FRIENDS' MEETING HOUSE,

Montgomery Pike, Narberth, was established 1682. Here William Penn worshipped, as well as many other noted Friends. One of the historical spots of America is open for worship every First-day (Sunday) morning at 11 o'clock.

First-day School is held every First-day (Sunday) at 10 A. M. in the Meeting House. Any one desiring to attend either the adult class or the young people's class will be very welcome.

THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Rev. John Van Ness, Minister.

Meetings for next Sunday:

9.45 A. M.—Sunday School.

11.00 A. M.—Public Worship. Sermon on the Year's Text: "Ye Shall Be Witnesses Unto Me."

4.00 P. M.—Junior Endeavor Meeting.

7.00 P. M.—Intermediate and Senior Endeavor Society meetings.

7.45 P. M.—Gospel Meeting. Subject in sermon and song: "Nothing but Leaves."

Church Notes

Next Wednesday evening in the Main Auditorium there will be a meeting preparatory to the Communion to be celebrated on Jan. 14. At the close of this meeting the Session will hold an examination for those desiring to unite with the Church on confession of faith, and also to receive certificates of dismission from other Churches. All those expecting to partake of the Lord's Supper are requested to be present at this Preparatory Meeting.

There will be a Missionary Tea and Sheet Shower for overseas hospitals, at the home of Mrs. W. J. Peebles, 109 Iona Ave., on next Thursday, from 3 to 5 P. M. All the ladies of the congregation are cordially invited. A pleasing program is being arranged.

BAPTIST CHURCH OF THE EVANGEL

Rev. Avery S. Demmy, Pastor.

Services, Sunday, January 7, 1923:

9.30 A. M.—Prayer Service.

9.45 A. M.—Sunday School.

11.00 A. M.—Communion Service. Sermon by the pastor on "Ready for "Sacrifice or Service"

7.00 P. M.—Young Peoples Meeting.

7.45 P. M.—Evening Worship. Special music and sermon on "A Great Life."

8.00 P. M., Wednesday Evening—Midweek service of the Church conducted by the pastor.

All are welcome to these services.

NARBERTH METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Rev. Arthur S. Walls, D. D., Pastor.

Sunday, Jan. 7:

9.45 A. M.—Bible School. Hon. F. W. Stites, Superintendent.

11.00 A. M.—Communion. Reception of members. Anthem: "God So Loved The World," Marks. By the Chorus. Quartet: "Full Well I Know," Geibel.

6.45 P. M.—Epworth League.

7.45 P. M.—Sermon: "As God Sees." Anthem: "They That Trust In The Lord," Gillette. By the chorus. Duet: "The Lord Is My Shepherd," Smart.

Church Notes

The Official Board will meet Monday at 8 P. M.

The Ladies' Aid Society will hold its monthly meeting on Tuesday evening.

Prayer Meeting every Wednesday at 8 P. M.

The annual meeting of the Church corporation will be held on Thursday, Jan. 11th, at 8 P. M. Three trustees will be elected for a term of three years each, and one trustee to fill an unexpired term. All members of the Church, twenty-one years of age and over are entitled to vote.

A meeting of the Board of Trustees is called to follow the annual election.

HOLY TRINITY EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH

Dr. S. D. Daugherty, Acting Pastor.

Services Sunday in the Y. M. C. A.

Bible School at 9.45 A. M.

Regular services at 10.45 A. M. and 7.30 P. M.

A REPRIMAND

"You knew your lessons today," said the head of the team accusingly.

"Yes, captain."

"Well, let it pass this time, but it looks as if your were neglecting your football."

REAL ESTATE NEWS

ON BEHALF OF THE COMMUTER

Wouldn't it be nice if we had a morning train between the 8.29 and the 8.59? There is an express that goes whizzing by Narberth about 8.45. It stops at Ardmore. It would only delay its arrival at Broad Street a couple of minutes if it stopped at Narberth.

MONTGOMERY AVE.

3-story hollow tile residence, central hall plan, tile bath, hardwood floors, 2-car heated garage, new screens, shades, awnings and linoleum are included in this sale. Lot 50x190 feet. This property has been completed only about 6 months. Owner moving to Massachusetts. Price, $15,500.

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FOOLISH HUNTING

When the Federal bill to regulate hunting and protect migratory birds came up in the Senate the other day, one of the Senators hotly attacked the measure on the ground that it interfered with the citizen's "right to hunt."

Evidently the Senator regards that as one of the inalienable rights guaranteed by the Declaration of Independence and the United States Constitution. Possibly it is. There is something in the Constitution, anyway, about the right to "bear arms," and bearing arms probably presupposes the right to use them. It might never have occurred to the fathers of the Constitution to limit an American citizen's hunting.

But times have changed. The air, land and water are no longer full of game. Civilized man has encroached more and more on the wild life that once filled the continent, until many valuable species have been wholly destroyed and many others are doomed to extinction unless there is a change in the policy and practice, and birds, beasts and fish are fostered as "natural resources."

There may be a constitutional right to kill any living thing. There may be even a moral right to do so, though that is open to question. But if the people who insist on unlimited freedom in that respect were to have their way, before long there would be no longer anything left for them to kill. America would be stripped even of songbirds, as Italy has been.

NOT WHAT IT SEEMED

The tourist in Scotland happened to stop at a small village near Stirling. Here he saw an old inhabitant endeavoring to chop a log of wood with an ancient axe. After watching a moment he said:

"That's an old axe you got there, isn't it?"

"Aye," was the reply. "It's a hundred years old."

"Indeed," observed the surprised tourist, "I should hardly have thought it was as old as that."

"Weel," said the old man, "it's no exactly that. It's had three new heads and two new handles since then."

Narberth Register

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ACCOUNTANTS
Gottshall, H. K. Public Accountant. 303 Conway Ave. Phone, Narberth 1667-J.
Keim, H. C. Certified Public Accountant. 202 Dudley Ave. Phone Narberth 300-W.

AUTOMOBILES
Doran Motor Co., Ardmore, Pa. See display advertisement in this issue.
Narberth Garage. Phone Narberth 1633. See display advertisement in this issue.

AUTOMOBILE SERVICE
Donahue, Patrick F. Phone 1633. See display advertisement in this issue.

BAKERY
White's Sweet Shop. Opposite Station. See display advertisement in this issue.

BANKS
Merion Title & Trust Co. Phone, Narb'th 398 See display advertisement in this issue.

BUILDERS
Bottoms, Geo. W. Phone, Narberth 1256-W. See display advertisement in this issue.
Thos. A. Kerrigan & Son. See display advertisement in this issue.
Shand, Alex. C., Jr. Phone No. 1710. Narberth Station.
Smedley, Wm. D. & H. T. Phone 600. See display advertisement in this issue.

CANDY, ETC.
Davis, H. E. Phone 1254-W. See display advertisement in this issue.

CARPENTERS AND BUILDERS
Jenkins, Chas. L. 103 Dudley ave. Phone 1684.

COAL AND COKE
Narberth Coal & Building Material Co. See display advertisement in this issue.
Newton Coal Co. Phone Ardmore 104. See display advertisement in this issue.

DENTISTS
Orr, Dr. A. L. 101 Elmwood av. Ph. 393-W. Phila. Phone Filbert 4252, Keith Bldg.
Dr. J. Schemba, Jr. Phone Narberth 316-W. S. E. Cor. Grayling and Windsor aves. Office Hours: Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday, 9.30 A. M. until 5.30 P. M.; Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 6 P. M. until 8 P. M.
Dr. H. F. McDuffee, 209 Haverford ave. Phone, 044-R. Hours: 9 A. M.-5.30 P. M. Evenings by appointment.

DRUGGISTS
Howard's. Phone 1267. See display advertisement in this issue.
Main Line Drug Stores. Phone 1620. See display advertisement in this issue.

ELECTRICIANS
Case, W. G. Phone 395-W. See display advertisement in this issue.
Pugh, Verl. 314 Grayling Avenue. Nar. Phone, 371-Y. Ard. Phone, 163-J.

HARDWARE
Bergner Hardware Co., 211 Haverford ave. See display advertisement in this issue.
Ricklin, H. 203 Haverford Avenue. See display advertisement in this issue.

INSURANCE
Bowman, Samuel P. (Life.) 116 Elmwood ave. Phone 653-W.
Trotter Bros. (Fire, etc.) 209 Woodside ave. Phone 1202-R.
Campbell, Frank D. Automobile, Fire, etc. 4 Stuart ave. Phone 395-R.

INVESTMENTS
William G. Hopper & Co. See display advertisement in this issue.

KINDERGARTEN
Miss Zentmayer's Kindergarten. N. W. cor. Essex and Windsor aves.

LAWYERS
Gilroy, John. 211 Essex ave. Phone 1245-R. Phila. address, Lincoln Bldg.
Stites, Fletcher W. 413 Haverford ave. Phone 372-W. Phila. address, Crozer Bldg.

LIGHTING FIXTURES
McDonald, John. Narberth phone, 1288. 1533 Chest. st., Phila. Phone Spruce 3138.

MEATS, ETC.
Wm. T. McIntyre. Phone Narberth 663. See display advertisement in this issue.

MILK AND CREAM
Highland Dairies, Inc. See display advertisement in this issue.

MUSIC
Loos, Fanny H. Piano teacher. Studio, Y. M. C. A. Bldg. Phone 316-J.

NOTARY PUBLIC
Simpson, Harry A. 232 Essex ave. Phone Narberth 636.
Tyson, Warren R. 200 Woodbine ave. Phone Narberth 1202-W.

OPTICIANS
Fenton, Carl F., 1631 Chestnut St. Spruce 7797. Residence, Wayne, Pa.
Palmer, H. E., 209 Haverford Ave. Phone 301-J. Prescriptions filled and repairing.
Zentmayer, Joseph. 1506 Locust st., Phila.

PAINTING
Newborg, Wm., & Co. 212 Woodbine ave. Phone Narberth 1758-W. See display advertisement in this issue.
Walzer, Fred. 117 Winsor ave. Phone 1247-J.

PAPERHANGING
Marshall Company, Contracting Paperhangers, 300 Price Ave. Phone, Narberth 1661-J.

PHOTO PLAYS
"Arcadia," 16th and Chestnut sts., Phila. See display advertisement in this issue.
Ardmore Theatre, Ardmore, Pa. See display advertisement in this issue.

PLUMBING, ETC.
Cook Bros. Phone 302-J. See display advertisement in this issue.
Wall, H. B. Phone Narberth 1602-J. See display advertisement in this issue.

PRINTING
Livingston, P. A. P. O. Box 966. High grade printing and engraving.

RADIO
Ward, A. W. Phone Narberth 1255-W. Radio Outfits and Supplies.

REAL ESTATE
Fritsch, H. C. Phone 252-W. See display advertisement in this issue.
Jones, George A. Phone Narberth 319-J. See display advertisement in this issue.
Nash, Robert J. Phone, Narberth 1710. Money for First and Second Mortgages.

RECREATION
Recreation Room. No. 1 Forrest ave. See display advertisement in this issue.

RIDING ACADEMY
David Odell, Belmont Track. Riding lessons, Saddle Horses to hire. Telephone Narberth 1297.

ROOFING, ETC.
Gara-McGinley Co. Phone 1258-W. See display advertisement in this issue.
Miller, John A. 243 Iona ave. Phone 661-J. Shop, 246 Haverford ave. Phone 1225-J

SHOEMAKERS
Good Wear Shoe Repair Shop, Constantine, B. G. 252 Haverford ave. Phone Narberth 1706-W.

SHOES
Narberth Boot Shop, 205 Haverford Ave. See display advertisement in this issue.

TAILORS
Adelizzi Brothers, 102 Forrest Ave. See display advertisement in this issue.
Prager, S. N. 211 Haverford Avenue. See display advertisement in this issue.

NEW YEAR GIFTS AT THE LIBRARY

The certificate which entitles the Library to one year's subscription to the National Geographic Magazine was received in this week's mail, and the Library expresses its heartiest thanks to Mr. Robert J. Edgar for the gift. Mr. Edgar, who has previously made other contributions to the Library, is here extended also its best New Year wishes.

Mrs. John T. Brooks, mother of Mr. John B. Brooks, of this town, has given the Library a check of $5.00 for the purchase of books for the children's department. There is increasing interest in this department and any one who believes in the influence of good literature can further the cause no more effectively than in just this way. Grateful acknowledgement is here made of Mrs. Brooks' generosity.

The Art department of the Library has received a very generous contribution from Mr. Francis B. C. Bradlee, of Marblehead. This consists of facsimiles of thirty-three etchings by Turner for the plates of the Liber Studiorum. Turner's etchings are now very rare, and this set of fac-similes, published in 1878, make a very valuable addition to the Library's art collection. An exhibit of these etchings will be held some time later in the month.

The exhibit of Medici miniatures, held in celebration of the Christmas season, will continue for two weeks longer.

BIG MILK RECORD

Thirty Tons in Five Years From Narberth Cow

Lessnessock Nancy 3d 36919, an imported Ayrshire cow, owned by Pennhurst Farm, Narberth, Pa., during five years, while on official test, produced 66,449 pounds of milk, or over thirty tons, and 2,767.57 pounds of butter-fat; over one and one-third tons. The average bitter-fat content being well over 4%. On her latest record Nancy produced 14,119 pounds of milk, 611.20 pounds of butter-fat; starting test at 10 years, 139 days of age. This is an excellent record for a cow of her age.

During the second month of her lactation she produced 2,121 pounds of milk and 95.03 pounds of butter-fat.

She has one daughter, Bloomer's Nancy 47875, with an advanced registry test as a two year old of 12,027 pounds of 4.09% milk, 492.44 pounds of butter-fat.

Lessnessock Nancy 3d is out of Nancy 3d of Drumsuie "14584" and Drumsuie Sir Robert "7805" with three daughers in the advanced regsitry. Both the sire and dam still being in Scotland.

THE TAX DODGERS

Taxation officials in many States complain of the growth of the tax-dodging spirit and maintain that a large number of people are failing to make fair returns of their property, or are telling falsehoods as to their liability to assessment.

There always has been a lot of fibbing in regard to taxes. A good many States have had unfair tax laws which almost seemed to put a premium on evasion. On this account and for other reasons, the sentiment has gained a considerable hold that shirking of tax burdens is an excusable thing. This feeling exists to some extent even where the tax laws are fair and equal.

The present Federal income tax is heavy and it takes a big bite out of a wealthy man's income. But it operates about as nearly equally as any law could. It will work fairly if every citizen owns up honestly and squarely to all that he has.

The government is now sending out the usual blanks for income tax returns, and some millions of people are up against the annual duty of rendering this statement. What spirit will they do it in? Will the people make out this return as they would carry on a quarrel with a hateful neighbor, with a determination to pay just as little as they can?

Or will they look at the income tax as a debt of honor? Most men would be ashamed to cheat their father or mother out of money, yet people who would feel keenly their obligation to parents will not hesitate to squeeze down the debt to the country which nourished them and surrounded them with blessings. The income tax is a gentleman's obligation and people who want to live a white life cannot dodge any part of it. They should not be satisfied unless their return is an exact and impartial statement of their financial condition.

PROBLEMS OF CHARITY

"The poor ye have always with you," said the Savior, and the problem of how to deal with people who are suffering from poverty is ever present. It is often pitiful to see how struggling and worthy people are neglected. Many of them are ashamed to ask for aid, and they may have no friends who will do things for them, so they scrape along, poorly fed and clothed and no one seems to realize.

On the other hand, one finds the professional charity seekers, who solicit help from various societies and individuals, and may get enough from a wide variety of sources to assure them support without doing any work.

Charitable people and societies should not be fooled by habitual beggars. Yet if charity becomes mechanical and insists on too high a standard, it fails to help many people who have lost their courage and are about ready to give up fighting.

The best charity is the kind that helps people to secure a place in the working world and acquire ability to support themselves. Finding work for a man does him more good than giving him money, though the outright gift of cash may be necessary to tide him over some difficult situation.

Many cases of poverty are due to people's vices and weakness. Some folks seem born with a taint of idleness and easy yielding to temptation. Giving money to them confirms them in their bad habits. Locking them up in a jail is no better. Putting these people to work in farm colonies where they are compelled to work regularly and are kept from temptation may be a hopeful plan for such cases.

The people who have had hard luck and without fault of their own have come up against difficulties too great for them, ought to find generous hearts glad to tide them over their troubles. The community is too neglectful of such cases.

COUNTY PAPERS COMBINE

The two afternoon daily newspapers of Norristown have combined into one large County newspaper. Halph Beaver Strassburger, owner of the Herald, having purchased the Times last month.

The physical merger of the Norristown "Herald" and the Norristown "Times" occurred with the issue of the consolidated paper on January 1, 1923. The "Times" made its final issue on the preceding Saturday afternoon.

The merger, the "Herald" let it be known to the public in the editorial columns of last Monday's issue, is not in the nature of elimination of a competitor, nor in furtherance of aims of any party, faction or person. The definite purpose is to combine the prestige of two old and respected daily newspapers into a journal which can achieve rank with the best journalistic effort in the country. It is Publisher Ralph Beaver Strassburger's desire that the Norristown "Daily Herald" shall be one of the leading dailies of the country, considering its size and location.

The "Herald" will, says that paper editorially, continue to be first of all a Norristown newspaper, a Montgomery county newspaper and a Pennsylvania newspaper. The events in the borough of Norristown, in Montgomery county and in Pennsylvania will, as heretofore, take the precedence due them over other news and the "Herald" will endeavor to faithfully, and in an unprejudiced manner, reflect the spirit of the community of Norristown, its immediate environs and the county of Montgomery. The aim will be to "cover" Norristown and Montgomery county thoroughly, and primarily, to advance the progress of Norristown.

The "Herald" already has one of the finest newspaper plants possible to secure. The entire equipment is modern and new with the purchase and outfitting of the present Herald Building, the plant occupying a large plot of ground on Markley street, between Airy and Ann. The buildings form an imposing landmark and the block on which they stand has been christened "Herald Square."

The "Herald" dates from June 7, 1799, when the first copy appeared as the Norristown "Gazette."

FINES WERE HEAVY.

Over $800.00 in fines were paid in this section by dog owners who failed to obtain licenses for their pets in 1922.

The dog law requires that all dogs be licensed before January 15th, 1923. Failure to secure such a license makes the owner of the dog subject to a fine of from $5.00 to $100. Last year the minimum fine and costs collected was $8.00, and in 1923 the amount promises to be greater. A great proportion of those prosecuted during the past year in this section were residents of Narberth who had failed to pay the fee.

Application for the license may be sent to Irvin H. Bardman, County Treasurer, Norristown, Pa., or may be made to any Justice of the Peace, Alderman, Magistrate or Notary Public.

Applications are now available, and it is urged that immediate attention be given the matter, to avoid the unpleasant consequences of the neglect.

SCHOOLS ARE CLOSED

The Narberth Schools have been closed all this week by order of the Narberth Board of Health.

This action was taken on account of the serious extent of several epidemics of contagious diseases. There are reported to be over 75 cases of measles alone.

School was supposed to resume its session on Wednesday. According to most recent announcement, the schools will be re-opened Monday unless a further spread of the epidemic is noted. In such case an announcement will be made by the Board of Health before that time.

Little complaint was heard among the students because of this unexpected vacation. On Wednesday night a fall of mushy snow furnished excellent material for snow forts, and fierce battles were waged in all parts of the town.

IN NEW POSITION

Mr. Walton M. Wentz, well-known member of council, of which body he is chairman of the Committee on Highways, has just been appointed to a new position in the Pennsylvania Railroad.

Mr. Wentz, who has been a special publicity representative, has been made editor-in-chief of a newspaper which is being formed, planned to circulate among over one hundred thousand employes of the Eastern Region.

News of this advancement was received with the greatest interest by "Our Town," for Mr. Wentz holds the position of Associate Editor of this co-operative journal. In fact he was in sole charge of an issue of the paper in September, during the absence of the Editor.

Certainly "Our Town" takes the greatest pleasure in joining in the congratulations of Mr. Wentz's many friends in Narberth, and the Editor is pleased to welcome him into the brotherhood of the burners of the Midnight Mazda, and the Tappers of the Ticking Typewriter.

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citizens went to Lower Merion to find out about the possibility of combining our High School with the Township plant. On finding that this was apparently possible, tons of propaganda, printed, typed and verbal, were hurled at Narberth by both sides. The result was that the proposed elementary school loan was sunk without a trace, and nothing further on the subject of school improvement has been heard.

The Tennis Country Fair, held on October 21st, was a big success, though William T. Tilden was unable to appear as scheduled, due to the injury to his finger, which later necessitated amputation.

Few events of interest marked the closing months of the past year. November 13th was the date of the Choral Society's reunion dinner. On the 14th, Buddy Rudolph, a Narberth boy, was dangerously wounded by a rifle, an accident which was followed by a recovery of truly remarkable rapidity. The prizes won in the fall tournament were awarded at the Tennis Dance of November 17th.

Christmas sings, the largest of which was held under the auspices of the Narberth Choral Society, featured last month. The Choral event was held on the 18th, and the Churches held their carol services, as did the Community Club, within the following ten days.

At the December meeting of the American Legion Franklin Fretz was elected Commander. Borough Council, in its December session, laid out the budget for the ensuing year, finding it possible to keep the tax rate the same.

Last week there was outlined a comprehensive program for civic development in Narberth. 1922 was an active and progressive year, and it will be interesting to look back, as 1923 progresses, to compare the events of the two years.

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